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KIRKLAND, Edward C.

Bellows Falls, Vermont, May 24, 1894-

February 9, 1942

Professor Edward C. Kirkland
15 Cleaveland Street
Brunswick, Maine

Dear Professor Kirkland:

Notice in the Bowdoin Alumnus of BRUNSWICK'S GOLDEN AGE interest us, and we shall want to secure a copy for the State Library. Should we purchase it directly from you; and if so, what is the price?

We also write at this time to mention the Maine Author Collection, of which possibly you already know. This is an exhibit of works by Maine people, numbering about a thousand books, most of which are inscribed presentation copies. We also gather all possible information about our authors: biographical, critical, and so forth. We hope that you will want to inscribe a copy of BRUNSWICK'S GOLDEN AGE for this collection.

Best wishes for its success, and we eagerly anticipate seeing a copy, for this will surely be a valuable and interesting addition to any library.

Very truly yours

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February 11, 1942

Professor Edward C. Kirkland
15 Cleaveland Street
Brunswick, Maine

Dear Professor Kirkland:

The complimentary inscribed copy of BRUNSWICK'S GOLDEN AGE arrived some days ago; and we delayed acknowledging the gift, thinking that you would let us know the price of the item so that we could order a copy for our general lending section. This present copy will of course be placed in the Maine Author Collection.

We are delighted to have the attractive and valuable booklet, and we appreciate greatly your kindness in making its addition to the collection possible. Please accept our thanks.

We still want to know the price, however; for we feel that it is the sort of Maine publication that we should have in our lending section. If you will let us know, we shall be glad to order a copy for this purpose.

Very truly yours

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EDWARD C. KIRKLAND

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY
BOWDOIN COLLEGE
BRUNSWICK, MAINE

February 26, 1942

My dear Mrs. Jacob:-

I am sorry that my book
Brunswick's Golden Age is not for
sale. I printed a limited edition
solely for gift purposes and I have
only three or four copies left.
For this number I have other press-
ing needs. I fear that my auto-
graphed copy embalmed in your
Maine Author Collection will have
to serve.

Sincerely yours,

Edward C. Kirkland

ECK:C

March 2, 1942

Professor Edward C. Kirkland
Department of History
Bowdoin College
Brunswick, Maine

Dear Professor Kirkland:

Thank you for telling us that BRUNSWICK'S GOLDEN AGE is not for sale. This is of course a disappointment to us, and we have regretfully decided that, under the circumstances, the Maine Author Collection must suffer. This book will be of such value and service in the lending section of the library that we feel we should place it there.

Understanding the limited availability of this fine book, we appreciate especially your generosity in making it possible for the State Library to have this copy, and again we send you our thanks.

Very truly yours

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